

Psalm 83

Israel At War

Welcome back and here we go. Today we are taking a break from John to address current events. I will be preaching on basically the same thing on Friday, as that is what God has instructed me to do.

If you watch the news, you are probably aware that a war was declared on Sunday after a vicious attack on Israel on Saturday. For many, this raises a lot of concerns and questions. God has told me I am your teacher... you should hear from Him through me on this time in history.

1) What are your thoughts on the war?

Let me just say, we are on the edge of history. Nothing will ever be the same, as this continues to unfold. You can call this history creeping. Slowly, but surely, we have reached a new age in prophecy. Multiple prophecies are now being fulfilled.

Ezekiel 25:15-17

Israel as vowed to destroy Hamas completely.

Zephaniah 2:4-7

How will God intervene? This has extreme relevance concerning the hostages.

As we see these events unfold, many believe this is now the fulfillment of Psalms 83.

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2) Should we be afraid?

Matthew 24:4-14 Matthew 24:32-26

Perhaps we are this generation He speaks of. I believe we are. What will happen next --- we can only guess, but we do know the Lord is near.

What's interesting --- the U.S. is not really clearly found in the bible. There are some references to what are called "young eagles" that protest, which some attribute to be the U.S. and Britain complaining, but not helping.

Matthew 28:18-20

John 16:13

3) How can these verses give you peace?

No one really knows when the end is. But we can look forward to more war to come. So, how should we respond? How about concerted, heartfelt, sincere prayer for Israel.

As this conflict widens, we can expect a couple more things:

- a) As Israel moves to destroy Hamas (Philistines) some countries will be angered.
- b) Lebanon and Syria and Jordan will participate in some way.
- c) Egypt and Saudi Arabia are supposed to be involved.
- d) Israel will attack Iran.

Jeremiah 49:34-39

We can expect this to get much worse.

Most bible scholars don't believe this is the end. Most believe it will go like this:

- a) Psalms 83
- b) Maybe attack on Damascus, ***Isaiah 17:2***
- c) Seven year Peace Deal
- d) Temple rebuilt
- e) Rapture
- f) Tribulation
- g) Gog - Magog War, ***Ezekiel chapters 37-38***

There are many different ideas but the truth is, we will all be with the Lord soon anyway.

What does Peter say?

II Peter 3:14-18

4) Why grow in grace and knowledge?

We represent hope to the world. So, let's not live in fear.

Revelation 22:12-21

5) What does "***even so, come Lord...***" mean?

Let's pray.